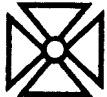


**Queen Victoria - 'Visible Plate' High Value Issues.**

There are four 'High Value' stamps that bear visible plate numbers, the 5/-, 10/-, £1, and £5. All are known with Perfins, although it's true to say that there are very few of them, and that the higher the value, the fewer there are!

**5/- Rose.**

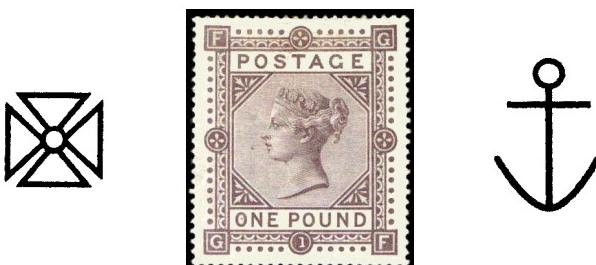
The first to arrive on the postal scene was the 5/- Rose which was introduced on ***1<sup>st</sup> July 1867***. Two plates, plates 1 and 2, were used on 'Maltese Cross' watermarked paper. Plate 3 was neither registered, nor put to press, but plate 4 saw use on paper watermarked with a 'Large Anchor'. These 'Large Anchor' stamps on blued paper were issued ***25<sup>th</sup> November 1882***. The stamp was replaced at the time of the 'Lilac and Green' issue, on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1884.

| 5/- Visible plate number issues. |                                   |                       |               |        |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------|
|                                  |                                   | Put to press          | Watermark     | Colour |
| Plate 1                          | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | 18-Apr-1867           | Maltese Cross | Rose   |
| Plate 2                          | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | 23-May-1874           | Maltese Cross | Rose   |
| <b>Plate 3</b>                   | ---                               | <b>Not registered</b> | ---           | ---    |
| Plate 4                          | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | ---                   | Large Anchor  | Rose   |

**10/- Greenish-grey, and Grey-green.**

Only one plate, plate 1, was ever produced. This saw the light of day on 'Maltese Cross' watermarked paper, when issued on ***26<sup>th</sup> September 1878***. From ***February 1883*** the stamp was produced on blued paper, soon to be replaced at the time of the 'Lilac and Green' issue, on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1884.

| 10/- Visible plate number issues. |                                   |              |               |               |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                   |                                   | Put to press | Watermark     | Colour        |
| Plate 1                           | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | 6-Aug-1878   | Maltese Cross | Greenish-grey |
| Plate 1                           | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | ---          | Large Anchor  | Grey-green    |

**£1 Brown-lilac.**

Only one plate, plate 1, was ever produced. This was issued on 'Maltese Cross' watermarked paper on **26<sup>th</sup> September 1878** in a Lilac-brown colour. Later, in **December 1882**, it appeared on blued paper watermarked 'Large Anchor'. The stamp also appeared on white paper watermarked 'Large Anchor'. It was replaced at the time of the 'Lilac and Green' issue, on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1884.

| <b>£1 Visible plate number issues.</b> |                                   |                     |                  |               |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
|  |                                   | <b>Put to press</b> | <b>Watermark</b> | <b>Colour</b> |
| Plate 1                                | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | 6-Aug-1878          | Maltese Cross    | Brown-lilac   |
| Plate 1                                | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | ---                 | Large Anchor     | Brown-lilac   |

**£5 Orange.**

Only one plate, plate 1, was ever produced, which was originally used for the £5 Telegraphs stamp. The word POSTAGE replaced TELEGRAPHHS, and was issued on 21<sup>st</sup> March 1882.

| <b>£5 Visible plate number issue.</b> |                                   |                     |                  |               |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------|
|                                       |                                   | <b>Put to press</b> | <b>Watermark</b> | <b>Colour</b> |
| Plate 1                               | Large <b>White</b> corner letters | Early 1882          | Large Anchor     | Orange        |

Only **47** DD and **93** DDF Perfin dies (*including* the *unknown* 5/- and 10/-) have been reported on these early High Values, as shown in the table below. The two Watermarks involved are the 'Maltese Cross' (MX), and 'Large Anchor' (LA).

|    | Catalogue No. | Letters              | Die in Use  | 5/-           |      |      | 10/-         |      | £1   | £5    |
|----|---------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|------|------|--------------|------|------|-------|
|    |               |                      | Plate >>>   | 1             | 2    | 4    | 1            | 1    | 1    | 1     |
|    |               |                      | Watermark > | MX            | MX   | LA   | MX           | LA   | MX   | LA    |
|    |               |                      | Totals >>   | 19            | 26   | 21   | 8            | 8    | 6    | 2     |
| 1  | A0185.01      | A.A/&C°.             | 1883-1895   |               |      | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 2  | A0630.01M     | A/B&C°               | 1874-1893   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      | PI 1 | PI 1  |
| 3  | A1280.04      | A&C°                 | 1869-1879   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 4  | A1350.01M     | A&C°/L <sup>d</sup>  | 1881-1904   |               |      |      | PI 1         | PI 1 |      |       |
| 5  | B0640.01      | B(rev)B&C°           | 1870-1924   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 6  | B0890.01      | B.B <sup>rs</sup> .. | 1870-1877   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 7  | B4390.02M     | B&L/H                | 1869-1881   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 8  | B7640.01      | B.W.B                | 1872-1888   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 9  | C0910.01      | C/B.R.P              | 1872-1873   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 10 | C1520.05      | C&C°.                | 1873-1885   |               |      | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 11 | C3730.02      | C.I.H/&S             | 1868-1910   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 | PI 1         |      | PI 1 | PI 1  |
| 12 | C3790.01      | CITY/B <sup>k</sup>  | 1881-1886   |               | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 13 | C4540.01M     | C.L/L                | 1881-1890   |               |      | PI 4 |              | PI 1 |      |       |
| 14 | C5620.01M     | CORY/C               | 1869-1881   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 15 | D0220.01M     | D.B                  | 1873-1890   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 | PI 1         | PI 1 |      |       |
| 16 | D3590.02      | DO/&C°               | 1881-1883   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 17 | D4390.07M     | D&S                  | 1870-1885   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 18 | E1100.01      | eDe                  | 1875-1890   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 19 | E4920.02M     | EU'P'N/MAIL          | 1868-1869   | PI 1          | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 20 | F1300.01      | F.E.G.               | 1873-1895   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 21 | G0600.01M     | G.B.L/L              | 1871-1915   | PI 1          |      | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 22 | G0970.02M     | G&C°                 | 1872-1885   | PI 1          |      |      | 10/- wmk n/k |      |      |       |
| 23 | G5420.02      | GW/A                 | 1875-1895   | 5/- plate n/k |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 24 | H0575.01      | HB&C <sup>oy</sup>   | 1880-1885   |               |      | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 25 | H2905.01      | H&G                  | 1875-1885   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 26 | H6420.01      | HSB                  | 1871-1900   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 | PI 1         | PI 1 | PI 1 | PI 1* |
| 27 | H7490.01M     | HUTH                 | 1869-1885   | PI 1          | PI 2 |      | PI 1         |      | PI 1 |       |
| 28 | J0170.01M     | JAFFE                | 1873-1895   |               |      |      | PI 1         |      |      |       |
| 29 | J0630.02M     | JB&C°                | 1873-1885   |               | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 30 | K0010.03      | K                    | 1882-1925   |               |      | PI 4 |              | PI 1 |      |       |
| 31 | L1320.01M     | L/C&S                | 1875-1895   |               | PI 2 | PI 4 | PI 1         | PI 1 | PI 1 |       |
| 32 | L1320.02a     | L/C&S                | c1880       |               |      |      |              |      | PI 1 |       |
| 33 | M0550.01      | M..B/&C°             | 1880-1885   |               | PI 2 |      |              |      |      |       |
| 34 | M0740.01      | M/B.R.P              | 1873-1875   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 35 | N3790.01      | N.Z.L                | 1882-1894   | PI 1          | PI 2 | PI 4 | PI 1         | PL 1 |      |       |
| 36 | P3705.01M     | P.P.R/&C°            | 1872-1874   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 37 | P4380.02M     | P.S/NC               | 1878-1884   |               | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 38 | R0330.02      | R.B.                 | 1870-1915   |               | PI 2 | PI 4 |              |      |      |       |
| 39 | R0875.01      | R.C&C                | 1873-1874   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |
| 40 | R4315.01      | R.R.C/M              | 1874-1882   | PI 1          |      |      |              |      |      |       |

|           |                   |                                |                  |             |             |             |  |             |  |  |
|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|--|--|
| <b>41</b> | <b>S4850.03M</b>  | <b>S&amp;/McD</b>              | <b>1880-1905</b> |             | <b>PI 2</b> |             |  |             |  |  |
| <b>42</b> | <b>S4920.01</b>   | <b>SM/&amp;C°</b>              | <b>1868-1890</b> | <b>PI 1</b> | <b>PI 2</b> |             |  |             |  |  |
| <b>43</b> | <b>S4920.03aM</b> | <b>SM/&amp;C°</b>              | <b>1882-1905</b> |             |             | <b>PI 4</b> |  | <b>PI 1</b> |  |  |
| <b>44</b> | <b>S6560.01</b>   | <b>S.S./&amp;Co</b>            | <b>1873-1885</b> |             | <b>PI 2</b> |             |  |             |  |  |
| <b>45</b> | <b>T0470.01M</b>  | <b>T/B&amp;C°</b>              | <b>1870-1886</b> |             |             | <b>PI 4</b> |  |             |  |  |
| <b>46</b> | <b>W2970.01</b>   | <b>WGA/&amp;C°..</b>           | <b>1870-1925</b> |             | <b>PI 2</b> |             |  |             |  |  |
| <b>47</b> | <b>W5305.01</b>   | <b>WM<sup>f</sup>/&amp;C°.</b> | <b>1883-1895</b> |             |             | <b>PI 4</b> |  |             |  |  |

\* Known on both blued and white paper. Perfin figures are correct to *8<sup>th</sup> April 2020*.